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Appln. No.: PCT/CH99/00234

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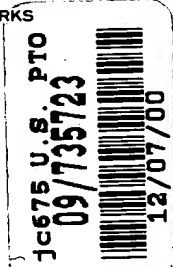
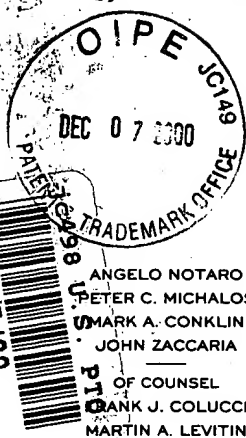
For : METHOD FOR REMOVING
LAYERS OF HARD MATERIAL

Atty. Ref.: H60-088 US

Sir:

The above-identified continuation application of International Appln. No. PCT/CH99/00234, filed May 31, 1999 is submitted herewith for filing. Enclosed are the following:

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